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DR. A. ROSS HILL RESIGNS; WILL TAKE CHARGE OF ALL FOREIGN OPERATIONS OF THE RED CROSS

Curators Postpone Action at Meeting Today, but Probably Will Accept Resignation.

WILL TRAVEL ABROAD
Will Continue as President Until Successor Is Named or He Is Released by Board.

Dr. A. Ross Hill resigned this afternoon as president of the University of Missouri to accept the position of vice-president of the American Red Cross and Director in Charge of all its Foreign Operations.

President Hill's resignation was presented to the Board of Curators at a meeting in Jefferson City this afternoon. President David R. Francis, Vice-President James E. Goodrich and P. E. Burton were not present. Since only six of the members of the Board were at the meeting it was voted to defer action on the resignation for the present.

After President Hill had urged the Board that it was his earnest desire to take up the work of the Red Cross it was understood that the Board would grant his desire in the future and accept the resignation. The Board made known its reluctance and regret that he had decided to sever his connections with the University.

President Hill's letter of resignation did not specify a date on which he desired his duties at the University should cease. He will continue to serve as president until the board makes arrangements to fill the office or release him from his duties.

BOARD MEETS IN JEFFERSON CITY
The meeting of the Board of Curators was called in Jefferson City that the members might assist the president in presenting the University budget to the appropriations committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate in joint session tonight. Tonight, with his resignation in the hands of the Curators and as one who in the future expects to have no official connection with the institution, President Hill will present the University's budget calling for the largest appropriation ever asked by the University of Missouri.

President Hill's decision to leave the University and accept the offer of the Red Cross will come as a great surprise and a shock to his many friends in the University and Columbia. Few, if any, of his friends here, it is believed, knew of his decision when he left for Jefferson City yesterday afternoon. He has received many offers to go to other universities as president during his term here and on each occasion he has declined. The report that he was considering an offer of the Red Cross has been current but it was the hope of the community that this, too, would be declined.

WILL TRAVEL ABROAD
The position of vice-president and director of foreign operations of the Red Cross, which Doctor Hill will now accept, is one of the highest and most important of that organization. It carries a salary far in excess of that of the presidency of the University. Doctor Hill, Dr. Livingston Farrand, former head of the University of Colorado and now president of the American Committee of the Red Cross, and the vice-president and director of domestic operations, will form the cabinet, under a recent organization, which will have in charge all the activities of the Red Cross. His new work will require that he travel abroad for some time. After his trips abroad he will have his headquarters in Washington, D. C.

President Hill's letter of resignation, presented to the Curators this afternoon follows:

HIS LETTER OF RESIGNATION
Columbia, Missouri,
February 3, 1921.
The Honorable Board of Curators,
University of Missouri.

Gentlemen:
I hereby present my resignation from the presidency of the University of Missouri, in order that I may accept an invitation from the American Red Cross to take charge of its Foreign Operations.

As you know I have on several occasions declined other opportunities for service. I was especially strongly inclined at the end of ten years in the presidency to accept a position involving less wearing responsibilities; but that was during the War, and those I consulted felt that the University would suffer unduly by a change in management at that time. So I have continued in office for the past two and a half years, while the financial problems of the University have been distressing owing to the high cost of everything connected with its activities, and while the high cost of living and low salaries have made it very difficult for the teaching force to keep up their accustomed morale. But now that the revenues of the State will

RETIRING M. U. HEAD.



President A. Ross Hill, Who Tendered His Resignation Today.

permit more liberal appropriations by the present Legislature, and the budget for the next two years has been prepared and presented, I feel that I can reasonably request you to relieve me at a date to be fixed later by the Executive Board.

It is not easy to contemplate severing relations with an institution to which I have given the best that was in me for almost eighteen years and for the leadership of which I have been responsible for practically thirteen years. It has become a part of my life. My relations, personal and official, with curators, faculty, alumni and students have also been such as to make me hesitate long before suggesting this step. As an indication of the co-operation we have enjoyed here, let me remind you that in all these years your decisions have practically all been by unanimous vote; you have never failed to approve the essential features of recommendations made to you by the faculty, and these have come with very substantial faculty majorities; while the alumni and Students have shown a readiness at all times to respond heartily to policies and practices that could be shown to be in the interest of the University.

And it is due to this fine spirit of co-operation that the University of Missouri has won a standing and achieved a reputation among educational institutions altogether out of proportion to its relative financial support. Its pride is in the quality of its work and the spirit of its life. To be sure its enrollment and its buildings and equipment have been doubled and its income from all sources trebled during the past thirteen years; but it has shared fully in the financial embarrassment of the state in the recent past, and this experience entitles it to share in the state's larger revenues, and has prepared it to make wise use of the more generous appropriations now in prospect.

Let me assure you that I shall always be happy to render any service within my power to this University. I shall always be deeply interested in its welfare and that of its personnel. And I hope some time in the future to again become a resident of this state and to share in the life of its fine people.

With great respect and personal attachment, I have the honor to be, Very sincerely yours,
A. Ross Hill.

EIGHTH PRESIDENT OF M. U.

President A. Ross Hill is the eighth president of the University. He succeeded the late Dr. Richard H. Jesse in 1908 and if he serves until the end of the spring-summer term he will have served thirteen years.

Few men in this country have won greater renown as an educator than has President Hill. He is a member of the following societies: American Philosophical Association, the National Research Council, the Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, the Board of Visitors U. S. Naval Academy, and the Committee of Statistics U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Chairman of the committee on Educational Research Commonwealth Fund, committee on Re-Organization of Education, National Commonwealth Fund, committee on Re-Organization of Education, National Association of State Universities; president of presidents and boards of Missouri Valley institutions, and formerly president of the National Conference Committee on Standards in Schools and Colleges, Association of American Universities, and National As-

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Mostly cloudy and somewhat colder tonight and Saturday; probably occasional rain. Lowest temperature tonight about 34. For Missouri: Unsettled weather to night and Saturday, probably with rain; colder Saturday afternoon or night.

sociation of State Universities. He has received the LL. D. degree from Lafayette College at Pennsylvania; University of South Carolina and Washington University, St. Louis; University of Colorado; University of California; University of Michigan and others.

MAY EXEMPT \$3,000 HOMES

Senator Asks That Real Estate Under \$3,000 Be Free From Taxation.
JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 4.—Senator Michael Kinney of St. Louis introduced a resolution yesterday to amend the constitution to permit all real estate with a valuation under \$3,000 to be free from taxation. He also proposed an amendment which would exempt property of which homes of less than \$3,000 valuation are built.

\$4,048,400 IS NEED OF M. U.

Missouri's Budget Is Smallest of 8 Middle Western States.

The budgets for state universities and land grant colleges of the Middle West as they have been presented to the state legislatures are as follows:

MISSOURI:
University at Columbia \$4,048,400
School of Mines at Rolla 667,500
Total \$4,716,100

KANSAS:
State University at Lawrence, \$4,379,018
Agricultural College at Manhattan 3,517,800
Total \$7,896,818

IOWA:
State University at Iowa City, \$5,986,394
Agricultural College at Ames, 5,222,000
Total \$11,208,394

ILLINOIS:
University at Urbana \$10,500,000

MINNESOTA:
University at Minneapolis \$9,760,000

WISCONSIN:
University at Madison \$10,285,150

OHIO:
State University at Columbus, \$8,972,010

MICHIGAN:
University at Ann Arbor \$12,103,100

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE AT EAST LANSING
School of Mines at Houghton, 336,900
Total \$14,690,000

NEBRASKA:
University at Lincoln \$6,310,280

TRIES SUICIDE WHILE IN JAIL.

Lad Charged With Killing Girl Is Kept From Burning Self on Bed.

POPULAR BLUFF, Mo., Feb. 4.—Setting the straw mattress on his bed in the county jail on fire and crawling on top of the blaze while it was at its height, Elmer Hartline, alleged murderer, attempted suicide here late yesterday.

Officials, attracted by the smoke, issuing from the jail, rushed to the fire. Hartline resisted their efforts to pull him off the blaze but the officers finally overpowered him.

Hartline is 19 years old. He is accused of shooting Bernice Kahn here on Christmas Day over an alleged affinity of hers.

ELECTED BY MINE WORKERS

John Lewis to Be President of Union for Another Term.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 4.—John L. Lewis was re-elected international president of the United Mine Workers of America by a majority of between 56,000 and 77,000 over Robert Harland of Washington in the union elections held September 14. It was announced today.

Phillip Murray was re-elected vice-president. The count of the votes just completed gives Lewis the largest majority ever recorded for a presidential candidate of the union.

BISHOP TO BE HERE SUNDAY

F. F. Johnson Will Conduct Episcopal Confirmation.

Bishop Frederick Foote Johnson, bishop coadjutor of the diocese of Missouri, will be in Columbia Sunday to conduct confirmation at Calvary Episcopal Church. The confirmation class is larger than usual for this time of year. Bishop Johnson will preach Sunday morning, and will be at home to the students of the congregation at the rectory, 809 Rollins, from 5 to 8 p. m.

Democratic Women to Meet.

The democratic women will meet at 2:30 o'clock February 17 in the Circuit Court room.

8-HOUR-DAY BILL OPPOSED BY BRASELTON

Manager of Columbia Shoe Factory Speaks Before Committee of State Senate.

AGAINST MINIMUM WAGE
Says Measures Would Put Missouri Industries at Disadvantage.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 4.—W. H. Braselton of Columbia spoke before the Senate committee on criminal jurisprudence yesterday afternoon in opposition to the minimum wage law now in the hands of that committee. He appeared before the same committee last night in opposition to the eight-hour-day law for all industries excepting agriculture.

Braselton is decidedly against both bills because he says it will create unfair competition between large industries of this different states. He said the fact that Missouri would have a minimum wage law and the surrounding states have none, would enable the manufacturers in the sister states to create destructive and unfair competition to the industries of Missouri.

Mrs. Nelle Berger, state president of the W. C. T. U., spoke at length in favor of the bill. She said that the bill was for the benefit, not of organized labor, but of the working girls of the cities and districts where unscrupulous employers forced girls to work for less than a living wage. It was stated before the committee that a survey of working girls showed that many were leading immoral lives to clothe and feed themselves.

A representative from the Associated Retailers in St. Louis and the general superintendent of the Stix, Baer & Fuller Co., said that the spirit of legitimate business today was directly in opposition to such an idea. He further said every effort was being made by big employers to safeguard the health and morals of all their employees.

George Pickens, a large candy manufacturer of St. Louis, stated that 5 per cent of the girls working for him were receiving less than \$12 per week and that the rest were receiving \$15 or more.

BILL AGAINST CRAPSHOOTING

Is Passed for Engrössment After Four-Hour Debate in House.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 4.—Judge W. W. Botts' anti-crapshooting bill weathered a four-hour storm in the House yesterday and was passed for engrössment by a roll call of 67 to 54. Debate on the bill started in the morning and lasted well into the afternoon. A number of amendments tending to take out and add "teeth" to the bill were voted down.

Julius Razowsky of St. Louis started the agitation by submitting an amendment which would include not only dice, but playing cards, dominoes, checkers and ouija boards. When questioned on his sincerity in offering such a measure Razowsky said, "I am sincere; let's do away with all these forms of gambling and let the men stay at home with their families."

Speaker Sam O'Fallon suggested that the ouija board was not a form of gambling.

"I beg your pardon, Mr. Speaker," said Razowsky, "but it is, because the people gamble on whether or not they will see the spirits."

After the House showed its disapproval of the ouija boards, Representative W. P. Elmer of Dent County introduced an amendment which would legislate only against the exhibiting of dice in a public place.

Walsh M. Moore, the negro representative from St. Louis, took offense at a remark made by one of the members to the effect that crapshooting was a pastime confined to the black race and delivered his first speech, in arguing in favor of the bill.

"The game originated with the white race and the white people instructed the negroes in playing the game," Moore said. "I am in favor of the bill and I desire to eliminate all gambling. If it is demoralizing to shoot craps it is equally demoralizing to play cards. Inasmuch as it is detrimental to the white boy, it is detrimental to the black boy."

C. H. S. Debaters Go to Kirksville.
The Columbia High School debating team left this morning for Kirksville where they will debate tonight on the subject, "Resolved, that a law providing for compulsory arbitration between employers and employees is wise and feasible." The Columbia team, which is composed of Cyril Coggins and Harold Streeter, will uphold the negative side of the question. They were accompanied by their coach, Earl W. Mounce, a student in the School of Business and Public Administration of the University.

WHAT M. U. IS ASKING FROM THE STATE

Following is the itemized request of the Board of Curators of the University of Missouri for an appropriation for the University for the next two years: Division at Columbia \$1,785,000

General needs—
Maintenance \$1,500,000
Parker Memorial Hospital 25,000
General library 50,000
Scientific laboratories 50,000
Student Labor 20,000
Publications 15,000
Improvement on west campus 15,000
Repairs on old buildings 30,000
Heat and light station 25,000
Finishing basement and furnishing biology building 15,000
Contingent fund 25,000

Special needs of divisions—
College of Agriculture, Department of Instruction 15,000
College of Arts and Science 15,000
Agricultural laboratories 15,000
Agricultural library 4,000
Agricultural Engineering 4,000
Animal husbandry 30,000
Dairy husbandry 11,800
Entomology 2,000
Farm management 2,500
Field crops 2,000
Horticulture 4,800
Poultry husbandry 4,800
Soils 1,000
Winter courses 30,000
Improvement on farm grounds and east campus 20,000
Repairs on barns etc. 7,500
Special repairs on dairy building 2,000
Repairs and finishing third floor of horticulture building 4,000
Rent on land for animal and dairy husbandry 3,500

Experiment Station activities—
Agricultural Experiment Station at Columbia 60,000
Out-laying soil and crop experiments 25,000
Soil survey 20,000
Special research in marketing and distribution of farm products 25,000

Agricultural Extension service—
Smith-Lever office 140,000
Promotion of improved corn (Corn Growers Association) 10,000
Orchard and nursery inspection 10,000

School of Engineering—
Equipment 28,000
Engineering experiment station 50,000
Engineering library 3,000

School of Medicine—
Equipment and incidental expense 15,000
Medical library 3,000

Public health work—
School of Law 25,000
School of Education 25,000
School of Journalism 30,000

Current expenses, supplies, etc.—
Furnishing and special equipment 15,000
School of Business and Public Administration 5,000
Graduate school 25,000
Extension division 50,000
Missouri State Military School 10,000

New buildings and extensions of plant—
New power plant and pipe line connection 200,000
Connection of same with University farm buildings 50,000
Women's building including gymnasium 250,000
Extension of Home Economics Building 25,000
New Agricultural building 250,000
New Chemistry building 250,000
Extension of Medical building 50,000
Rebuilding Mechanical Arts Hall 100,000
Extension of Observatory 17,500
Addition to farm machinery building 25,000
Extension of Poultry buildings 5,000
Land for soils and field crops 50,000
Beef cattle barn 25,000
New University Hospital 250,000

SCHOOL OF MINES AND METALLURGY AT ROLLA
Salaries, support and maintenance \$270,000
Building for U. S. Bureau of Mines 232,000
Mining Experiment Station 50,000
To purchase and install new electrical equipment 35,000
Fuel for heat, light and power 30,000
Equipment for testing road building material 17,000

Repairs—
Plastering, plumbing, painting, etc. 20,000
Chemicals and supplies 20,000
Library 11,200
Civil Engineer, supplies 6,000
Biological and mineralogy supplies and collections 10,000
Mechanical engineering shop and foundry equipment 15,000
Metallurgy and ore dressing equipment, instruments 25,000
Maintenance of experimental mine and supplies 9,000
Physics, new apparatus and supplies 8,000
Electrical laboratory instrument and supplies 12,000

Machine shops for repair work and garage for school trucks—
Student labor 4,000
Campus maintenance 6,000
Pool sterilizing equipment for gymnasium, electric fixture and additional lockers and apparatus 7,500

IRISH COUP IS EXPECTED SOON

Nature of Blow Not Yet Disclosed—Officials Laugh at Rumors.

DUBLIN, Feb. 4.—Quiet warnings were circulated today that a great coup would soon be pulled off by the Republican army.

The nature of the "big show" was not disclosed. Military officials laughed at the rumors but patrols were increased and every lorry that went out had a hostage, chained and padlocked to his seat.

Despite these precautions the number of attacks increased. There is a hint at a new curfew law and that martial law will be extended to include Dublin County.

ROY MURRY IS NORMAL AGAIN

Father Says He Has Gained Thirty Pounds Since Coming Home.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 4.—Roy Murry, who was brought back from the day we brought him back, laughed at the reports that he had gained thirty pounds since coming home.

"I had to laugh at him the other day when someone asked about his health," said Doctor Murry. "Oh, I'll be all right if the salts and milk hold out," Roy told his friends.

WANT BRYAN IN DRY OFFICE

Commoner Will Be Suggested as Successor to John F. Kramer.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 4.—A campaign for the appointment of William Jennings Bryan as prohibition commissioner to succeed John F. Kramer was launched here today.

The suggestion of the appointment will be brought to President-elect Harding soon. Several Republican leaders indicated that Bryan's appointment would not be resisted.

RETURNS FROM CONFERENCE

E. A. Logan Attended Meeting of the Midwest Group.
E. A. Logan of the United States Bureau of Crop Estimates has just returned from Lincoln, Neb., where he attended a meeting of the Midwest Group. This organization comprises the states in the central group of the American Farm Bureau Federation—Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas.

The predominant matter under discussion was live stock marketing and the urgent need of farmers and stockgrowers for accurate data in regard to the production of cattle, swine and sheep.

SIX ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL

E. R. Childers Recovering From Operation.
Harold D. Fouts was admitted to Parker Memorial Hospital yesterday, to have an operation for appendicitis performed. The others admitted yesterday were: Frank D. Smith, Catherine Varner, Calie Overstreet, Katherine Quinn and Ella Armstrong.

I. O. O. F. PLANS OPEN HOUSE

Rebekah Lodge to Be Guests of Local Encampment.
The members of the Columbia I. O. O. F. Encampment have planned an open house meeting to be given to the members of the Columbia Rebekah Lodge, Friday evening, February 25. This action was agreed upon at the regular meeting of the encampment last night. Ralph Compton, chief patriarch, appointed A. C. Brady, Clyde Hopper and A. R. Coats as a committee to make the arrangements.

PRESIDENT HILL TO PRESENT UNIVERSITY BUDGET TONIGHT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

COLUMBIANS AT CAPITAL
Judge H. A. Collier and F. W. Niedermeyer Visit Jefferson City.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 4.—Judge H. A. Collier, F. W. Niedermeyer, and Pierce Niedermeyer of Columbia were here yesterday. Collier was here relating to a bill effecting judicial matters of the probate court. There is a bill now pending in the Legislature that would require all judges of the probate courts of Missouri to be members of the bar.

Pierce Niedermeyer, who is commander of Battery B of the artillery unit of the National Guard in Columbia, conferred with William Maring, secretary of the Senate chamber, relative to legislation affecting the National Guard in Missouri.

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ASK FUND FOR MINES SCHOOL

President Hill and Doctor Fulton Appear Before House Committee.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 4.—President A. Ross Hill of the University appeared before the House of Representatives appropriations committee last night in the interest of appropriations for the School of Mines and Metallurgy at Rolla. He reviewed the history of the establishment of the school of mines and spoke of the growing importance of its graduates and men turned out there to the great industries of the country.

The school is asking for an appropriation of \$666,000 about \$125,000 of which will go to build a building for the U. S. Mining Experiment Station which is now located at Rolla. The Mining Experiment Station was established at Rolla last July by the U. S. Bureau of Mines with the understanding that the State of Missouri would provide a building for the station. The U. S. Bureau of Mines pays a sum annually for the carrying on of the work in the experiment station and a like amount is asked for from the State. The sum given by the U. S. Bureau of Mines last year was \$23,000.

Dr. Charles Fulton, director of the School of Mines and Metallurgy, mentioned in detail the needs of the school and explained each item asked for. There was very little discussion and few questions asked by the members of the committee concerning the sums asked.

SENATORS CAUGHT NAPPING

Opponents to Tariff Bill Allow Amendments to Pass.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Senators favoring the emergency tariff bill caught their opponents napping and tacked on two amendments before their opponents saw what was on foot. One increased the house provision for a 30-cent tariff on wheat to 40 cents a bushel. The other was on rice.

The amendments were adopted with only nine Senators in the chamber. When Senator R. P. Harrison of Mississippi woke up to what was going on, he balked further action by calling for a quorum.

RECORDS EARTHQUAKE SHOCK

Instrument at St. Louis U. Shows Tremor in Central America.
ST. LOUIS, Feb. 4.—Earthquake shocks beginning at 2:27 o'clock this morning and lasting until 3:57 were recorded on the seismograph at St. Louis University. The instrument showed that the earthquake was approximately 1,500 miles south of St. Louis, probably in Central America.

BASEBALL TRIAL DATE SET

Indicted White Sox Players to Be Tried February 9.
CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Trial of the indicted White Sox players for conspiracy to throw the 1919 World's Series to Cincinnati will begin February 9, according to a report from the state attorney's office here today.

PUBLIC LIBRARY BUSY PLACE

People Find Reading Interesting Pastime in January.
January was a busy month for the Columbia Public Library. During the month 934 volumes of adult fiction were circulated, 323 volumes of juvenile fiction and 313 volumes of other classes of literature. Twelve dollars and seventy-four cents was collected by fines and \$7.79 by rentals.

During the month seventy-one new books were given to the library. The total attendance for the month was 2,599.

Negro Is Arrested for Vagrancy

Berry Canton, a negro, was arrested this morning by Deputy Sheriff Hall on charges of vagrancy and neglect of his family. He was released on bond, and will be arraigned at the April session of Circuit Court.